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This is in response to the Official Action mailed October 3, 2003 setting out a two-way species election requirement. Applicant elects species A, as shown in Figure 1, with traverse. Claims 1 through 11 are submitted to be readable thereon, with Claim 1 being generic.

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